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SENATOR GREGG COMMENTS ON COALITION FORCES IN BAGHDAD

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) today commented on recent developments in the conflict in Iraq.

U.S. Senator Judd Gregg (R-NH) stated, "I think we all have to be very impressed with the incredible success of our military effort in Iraq, especially the professionalism and expertise of our soldiers. In about twenty days they moved about five hundred miles and have taken over Baghdad. That is an extraordinary act of military expertise.

"We're now seeing the people of Iraq reacting to freedom. They finally realized that Saddam Hussein is not going to rule them and the enthusiasm of the people in Iraq being freed by our forces is really pretty impressive. So I am excited that we've had this success so far – there's still a long way to go of course in this war. There are many pockets of resistence. But as we move forward, towards Tikrit and other parts of Iraq, I would expect they will start to collapse. Hopefully we are looking at better days for the Iraqi people and we can certainly take great pride in what our military has done and especially what our soldiers have done on the ground."